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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the students,
4 staff, and faculty of Ellis Elementary School in Belleville on
5 the occasion of the school being named a No Child Left Behind
6 Blue Ribbon School; and

7 WHEREAS, The No Child Left Behind - Blue Ribbon School
8 Program honors public and private K-12 schools that either
9 perform academically superior in their State or demonstrate
10 dramatic gains in student achievement; and

11 WHEREAS, Since 1982, the United States Department of
12 Education has annually sought out schools where students attain
13 and maintain high academic goals by utilizing standards of
14 excellence evidenced by student achievement measures and the
15 characteristics known from research to epitomize school
16 quality in order to celebrate schools that beat the odds; and

17 WHEREAS, No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon Schools have set
18 a standard of excellence for schools across the United States
19 through commitment, high energy, research-based knowledge of
20 what methods are best utilized, and the results of quality
21 assessments; and

1 WHEREAS, Out of only 320 schools in the nation recognized
2 as a No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School, and of the 21
3 schools recognized in the State of Illinois, the Ellis
4 Elementary School in Belleville was the only school recognized
5 in the southern illinois region, a testament to the school's
6 unwavering commitment to quality education; and

7 WHEREAS, The students, parents, faculty, and staff of the
8 Ellis Elementary School in Belleville should be proud of the
9 school's incredible success and the standards that they have
10 set forth for the schools of this State and the nation at
11 large; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 congratulate the students, staff, and faculty of Ellis
15 Elementary School on the occasion of the school being named a
16 No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School and wish them continued
17 success and happiness in the future; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to Pam Leonard, principal of Ellis Elementary School,
20 as a symbol of our esteem and respect.